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A First Year Teacher's First-Hand Comments

Crossing the threshold from college to a career in teaching is a memorable, though often exhausting experience. Many of our alumni can recall their adventures as first-year teachers and their reactions to standing before a class for the first time.

This article contains some thoughts by a recent Stout graduate who is completing her first year as a teacher. She is Lori Malzahn Tietz, a 1970 graduate who is now teaching junior and senior high school home economics classes at the Glenwood City High School.

Her comments were written for the Alumnus during the Christmas recess as she neared the end of her first semester.

School would be dismissed at noon for the beginning of Christmas vacation and my 25 eighth grade girls were singing "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" and showering me with smiles, candy suckers and good wishes. I was thinking about how much I would miss them over vacation and how underneath the giggles and mischievous antics they were all angels.

But, let us back up in time a few months. My attitude toward teaching was not always so contented and sentimental. In fact, there were times when Christmas vacation seemed 100 years away and the end of the semester was an eternity. You see, this is my first year of teaching. When I signed the contract, I was ecstatic at having found a teaching job in a small school within commuting distance of Stout and Menomonie. This way, I would be able to use my education and teach home economics and my husband could finish his degree at Stout.

We were married two days before I had to report for the first of two days of inservice. To introduce

myself I stood up and proudly announced "I am Mrs. Lori Tietz, and I am still on my honeymoon." The superintendent frowned, a few teachers snickered and still others applauded.

The first day of classes began and on my way to my very first class the janitor asked to see my hall pass and the principal said, "Gee, Mrs. Tietz, I have trouble telling you from the students." Now don't be discouraged I told myself; I may be small but I carry a big stick.

The bell rang and the students started coming. They paid little attention to me, but I stared at them while the color in my face located itself in my stomach. They just kept coming, 19 of them, all boys, and at least seven feet tall each. The final bell rang and my only thought was to find the door marked exit. But, I smiled and still not completely comprehending the situation started to take roll. Why didn't anyone teach me how to fill out these absentee slips! or how to pronounce names! or how to remember who's who!

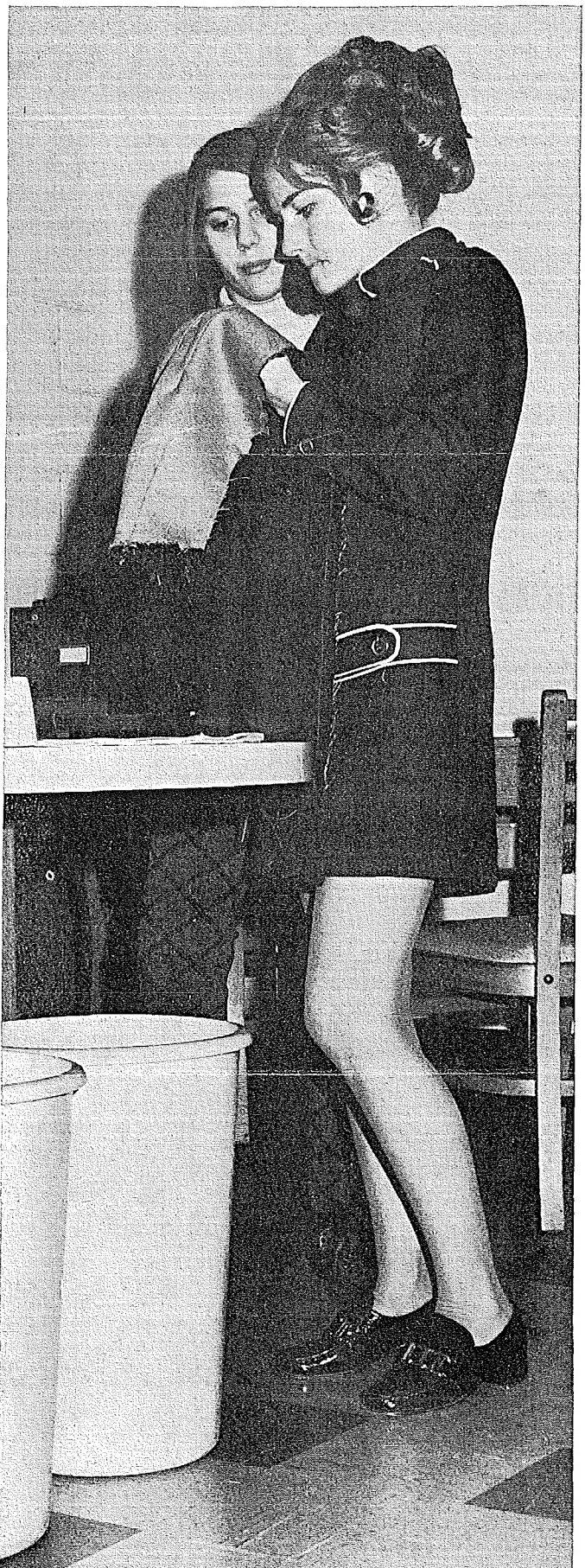
After roll call, my initial shock had subsided to mere trembles and I gathered the courage to give them an interest test. "What three qualities would you look for in a wife?" I asked. "A good body!", a husky voice boomed. "Well yes," I said, "but not all good bodies can cook." "Say you're right," he said, "and after three years she loses her body and then you ain't got nothin." So for his first quality he wrote, "A good body if she can cook."

The final bell rang and on their way out one senior boy stopped at my desk, "Say Mrs. Tietz," he said, "you can come to my graduation party if you leave your husband at home." He didn't wait for an answer, as if I could have given one. College had never prepared me for this!

That first day went by in a flurry of faces and names. After the first 19 boys came 25 eighth grade girls, 36 freshmen and sophomores, 16 juniors and seniors and finally 16 innocent, uncorrupted seventh graders.

That night, I went home to my new husband with a headache, tired feet and a million questions. Where do I start? How do I know what they had last year? What are their abilities? How do I teach foods to 25 eighth graders with only five kitchens? How do I teach clothing to 36 freshmen and sophomores with only 11 sewing machines? The answers did not come, and for the first time in four years, there was no one to answer them for me. The problems were mine alone. One hundred twelve students would depend on me for knowledge and guidance and I was not ready for that kind of responsibility. Home economics is such a broad field, and there were so many things I did not know, so many classes I wish I could have had time to take in college, and so many areas in which I was not prepared to teach.

The first week flew by as I waded through thousands of names, absentee slips, hall passes, late passes, daily announcements, weekly announcements and lesson plans. My name appeared on a list as advisor to 26 cheerleaders, the sophomore class and



Home Economics club. We had a teachers association meeting, a vocational teachers meeting and a faculty meeting. Through all this, one question kept plaguing me: When is there time to teach, or for that matter, does anyone really care what goes on in the classroom as long as all hall passes are correctly filled out and we are present and accounted for at all meetings?

Eight other first year teachers shared my dilemma, and we would congregate in the faculty lounge and cry in our coffee. We all agreed that we really never wanted to go to college, but thought it was worth a try, and if we ever made it through this year, we would all go back to doing office work. After all, one grumpy boss is easier to face every morning than hundreds of restless students, discontented parents and fast-talking administrators.

In the weeks that followed, I found that the class which had scared me the most was actually the class I enjoyed the best. My boys, although big and sometimes fresh, were enthusiastic and hard working. Of course, all they wanted to do was eat. They ate biscuits without leavening, chocolate angle food cake that looked like brownies, poached eggs which turned into boiled egg whites and lemon pie that had to be eaten with a spoon. The class soon became known as the Galloping Gourmets, and a few received Susie Homemaker Ovens for Christmas.

One week we studied the basics of the sewing machine. After they learned how to operate the machines I gave them stitching charts to practice, and within five minutes, my classroom sounded like an invasion of the Hell's Angels or a miniature Indianapolis 500.

My other classes did not run as smoothly. I found that the teacher-student rapport I had heard so much about in college was easy to talk about, but extremely difficult to attain. I felt so close in age to my senior girls that the professional classroom atmosphere I desired did not exist until after many weeks and many mistakes.

At the opposite extreme are the seventh graders. As I said before, they are innocent and untouched by the attitudes of the upperclassmen, but they do require patience — a virtue which I did not pick up in college. Before understanding, they have to be told dozens of times and before doing, they have to be shown, guided and shown again. They can mutilate a sewing machine in seconds and leave me wishing I had had a course in sewing machine repair. They can bake biscuits on a plastic tray and leave me wondering where I failed. They tell me that their parents can't afford to buy seam tape, and yet they own two cats, three dogs, two birds and their father is buying them a horse, and leave me wondering how I can teach them values.

The semester is almost over, and I will soon have new faces and new names to memorize, but I have learned that the names and faces mean little compared to the personalities that go with them. I will make many new mistakes, but hopefully, I will learn not to make them so often. And maybe someday, in the far future, I will look back at this first year of teaching and laugh at the tears I cry today.

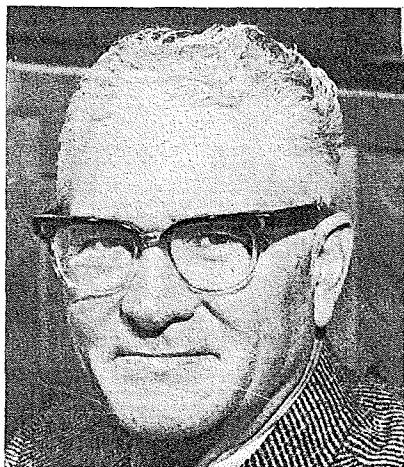
New Facilities "Named in Honor"



Dwight D. Chinnock



Harry F. Good



Ray C. Johnson

Six new facilities on the Stout campus have been named in honor of former staff members. The six are Erich R. Oetting, Ray A. Wigen, Dwight D. Chinnock, Ray C. Johnson, Anne Marshall, and the late Harry F. Good.

A reception for faculty, students and friends was held Dec. 11, in the Ballroom of the Student Center and a special presentation was made at the half time of the Stout-Sioux Falls basketball game in the Fieldhouse that evening.

Three of the six, Oetting, Chinnock and Wigen, still reside in Menomonie. Oetting, dean emeritus, is recognized as the individual largely responsible for the formation of the School of Education at Stout. A residence hall has been named in his honor. Oetting joined Stout in 1945 as head of the department of psychology, was made director of teacher education in 1961 and became dean of the school in 1964. He retired last spring.

A residence hall on the North Campus has been named in honor of Wigen, who retired in 1966 as dean of graduate studies. He served Stout for 33 years.

Chinnock, professor emeritus, who also retired last spring, spent a major part of his 29 years at

Stout as a supervisor of industrial education. A residence hall has been named in his honor.

Stout's former Athletic Director Ray C. Johnson, now lives in Red Wing, Minn. Johnson served from 1938 to 1969 at positions that included athletic director, physical education department chairman, and football and basketball coach. Stout's Health and Physical Education Center, completed during his tenure, is one of the finest facilities in the Northwest. The Fieldhouse portion of the building has been named in his honor.

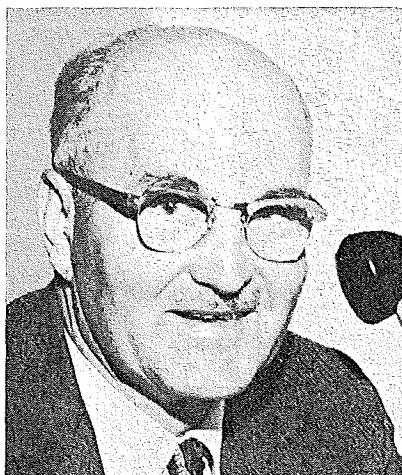
Biology laboratories and physics laboratories in the new Science and Technology Building have been named in honor of Miss Marshall and Mr. Good.

Miss Marshall joined Stout in 1939, and was chairman of the university's science department from 1945 until her retirement in 1969. She now resides in Zanesville, Ohio.

Mr. Good was a member of the Stout faculty from 1918 to his death in 1948. He was the author of a number of outstanding articles on industrial arts and also was known for his research in the field of industrial power production.



Anne Marshall



Erich R. Oetting



Ray A. Wigen

Buildings Reflect Stout Growth

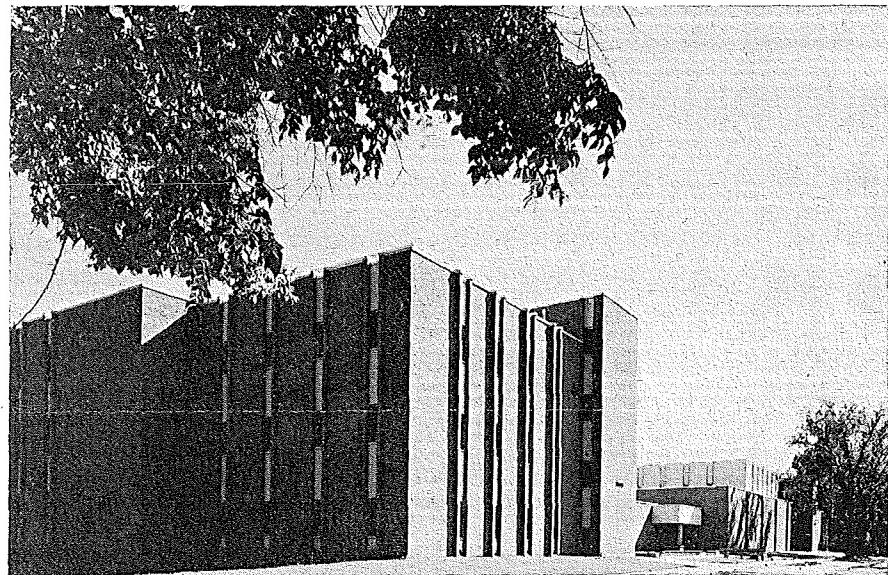
Completion of three major instructional facilities at Stout will have an important impact on the campus. A new science and technology building (below right) was completed this fall, an applied arts building (below) and a home economics building (not shown) are expected to be opened sometime in 1972.

The \$4.2 million science and technology building, which contains about 130,000 square feet of floor space, is the largest instructional facility ever built at the university.

Divided into two complexes, the facility contains a science wing for the departments of chemistry, biology, physics and mathematics and a technology wing for studies in plastics, woods, industrial graphics, general finishing, building construction, power mechanics and industrial management.

The building, with a total of 32 laboratories and nine classrooms, has space for over 1,600 students, plus 90 faculty offices.

Some of the most modern and efficient design techniques are incorporated into the structure, allowing the flexibility and maximum use of space. Laboratories in the technology portion of the building have a minimum number of partitions so that they can be expanded or rearranged at little cost. All utilities such as water, gas and exhaust are located overhead to allow easy movement of equipment and materials. The new building has



permitted the installation of more sophisticated equipment, permitting a broader study of technical subjects.

Among the features of the science wing is a specially constructed room to house laboratory animals used in experiments. A greenhouse with climate controls and equipment is located on the roof.

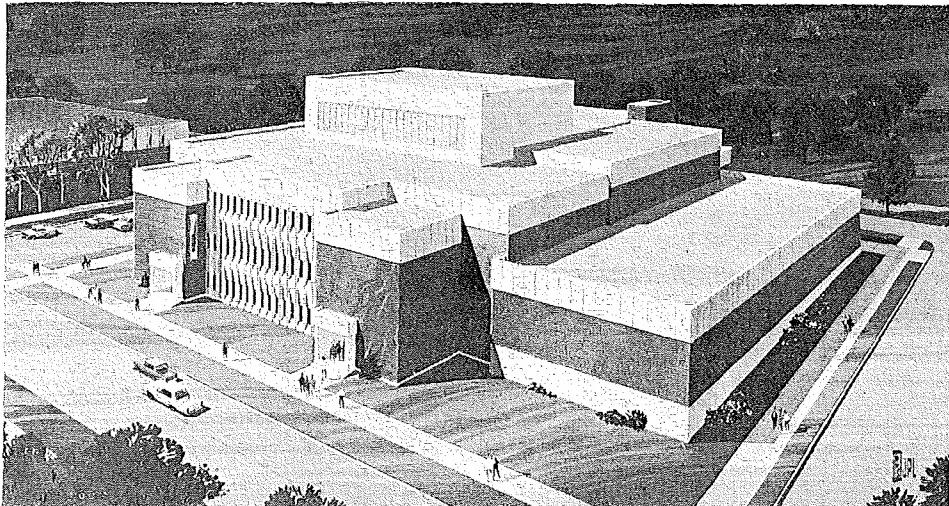
Increased space for both classroom and laboratory activities has upgraded the quality of instruction. In addition, the building contains facilities where faculty members and students can do original research.

Low bids for a new \$3.5 million applied arts building at Stout were approved this winter by the Bureau of Capital Development.

Ground breaking is expected to take place in November with a completion date set for the spring of 1972.

The new building, containing 93,000 square feet of floor space, will house classrooms, laboratories and faculty offices. It will be used primarily by the art department, the music department, the American industry major, packaging studies and the center for improvement of learning and instruction.

Construction of the home economics building is expected to begin later this year. It will contain administrative offices and facilities for the entire School of Home Economics plus classroom space for other areas of the university.





On The Air

A plan for a broadcast outlet at Stout became a reality last fall when radio station WVSS began regular programming. The noncommercial FM facility now provides the campus and the community with information and entertainment seven hours a day, seven days a week.

The 10,000 milliwatt station operates from its newly constructed facilities in the basement of the university's communications building. Broadcasting from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. daily, the station provides a variety of music, university news, interviews and topics of interest.

Programming is geared primarily to the university community, although the station can be received within a three-mile radius of the campus at 89.5 on the FM dial.

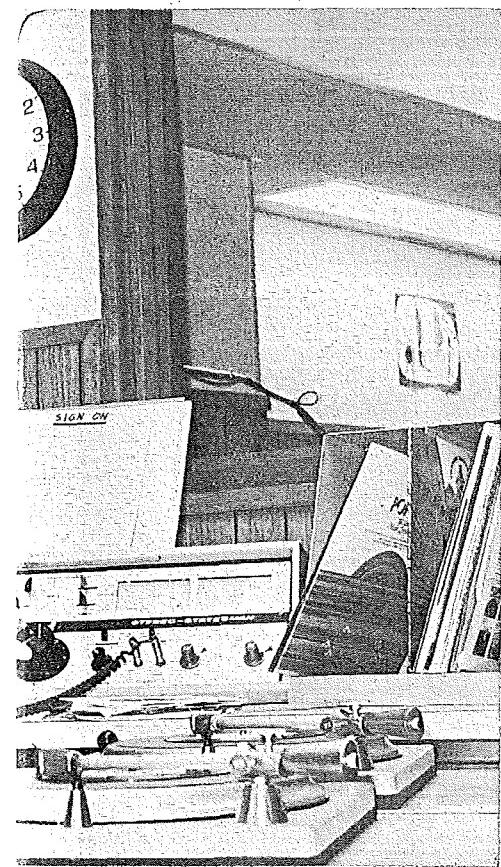
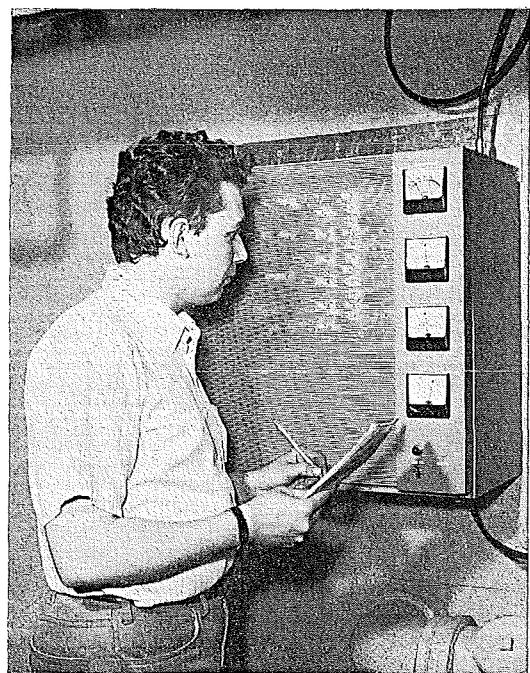
At WVSS the station is run by democratic process whenever possible. No single student, administrator or faculty member dominates policy formation. For example, the station's policy board includes four students, one faculty member, one administrator and one representative from the speech department.

The station is manned by approximately 50 volunteers and members of a radio production class. In addition, students from the Menomonie High School are being trained to operate the station.

Plans for the facility date back to 1966 when Speech Department Chairman Norman Ziemann and a group of students formed a committee to investigate the possibility of having a broadcast outlet on campus. Construction was begun last spring by student volunteers under the supervision of Arthur Matthews, director of radio.

Stereophonic equipment was incorporated into the station's control room, however lack of funds have presented the purchase of a stereophonic transmitter.





Class Notes

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LILLIAN BAXTER WISCHAN is working as a secretary at Yale's Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry Department at New Haven, Conn. She will soon have her Master's Degree in Library Science and may go back to teaching.

BEVERLY PETERSON, Merrill, extension home economist for Lincoln County, received the Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of Extension Home Economists. She was cited for her work with the state 4 H band and chorus, county extension homemakers chorus, and for separate programs in medical self-help for young marrieds, urban homemakers and brides-to-be.

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Eagle-Picher Industries, Cincinnati, Ohio, has announced the appointment of RAYMOND R. CHARTRAW as president of the company's Lusterlite Division. He joined the firm in 1969.

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DONALD M. BRILL, Madison, has been named assistant director of the State Board of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education, effective Jan. 1. He is a doctoral candidate at the University of Wisconsin in curriculum and instruction.

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Applied Computer Graphics Corporation began operations this month with headquarters in Silver Springs, Md. The founder of the new company is THOMAS A. LARSON, formerly of Menomonie. Larson said the corporation was formed specifically to serve the needs of those in industry who use computerized graphic systems. Services offered by the new company include software support, equipment selection studies, system design, programming services, and proprietary computer systems.

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MARY ANN SPANGLER (MS '67) of the home economics staff, Waukesha County Technical Institute, Waukesha, has been named state director of the "Make-It-Yourself-With-Wool" program for 1971. She is to coordinate the state program in which 1,000 young women, ages 10 to 21, are expected to participate.

LEO R. NEVALA completed his Ph.D. in the Education Policy Studies Department at the University of Wisconsin last August. He is currently professor in the Department of Administration and Supervision at the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee.

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MYRNA SHEARER, Chisago County, Minn., extension home economist, will receive the Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of Extension Home Economists. She is one of a group of county extension

home economists in the nation who will be cited for outstanding service. The award is given to county extension home economists for serving as effective educational leaders in working with county families.

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GLENN GEHRING completed his Ph.D. in education this past fall at Stout where he is a professor in the metals department.

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KAREN LAVONE JOHNSON is presently the director of refrigerated products kitchen at Pillsbury Co. in Minneapolis. She has recently spent a month traveling in Europe, mainly France where she took French cooking lessons.

Among recent recipients of master's degrees at Montclair State College, New Jersey, is CHARLES W. ROEDER.

JAMES F. HERR (MS 65), associate professor of graphic arts at Stout, has recently earned his doctorate degree in industrial education from the University of Missouri at Columbia. JULITH A. ROLLAND HERR (BS 65, MS 67) is also on the faculty of Stout where she is currently serving as Director of the Child Study Center. The Herrs reside at 308 12th St., Menomonie.

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Power mechanics is one of several courses included in the new industrial arts curriculum at Homestead High School at Mequon. This course is taught by ROBERT BREDE.

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KURT BENTS has been accepted into the Education Specialist Degree program in industrial and vocational education at Stout. He has been awarded a research assistantship and will be working under the industrial-vocational teacher education department while continuing his education. He has taught industrial and vocational woodworking for four years.

BENJAMIN LASOLA JR. and CO-LUMBINA LASOLA (BS 66, MS 67) are presently in Cebu City, Philippines. He is the director of the Instructional Media Center there. She is the guidance coordinator at Cebu School of Arts and Trades.

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DAVID R. MANCUSI has been promoted to production control superintendent at the Port Edwards mill of Nekoosa Edwards Paper Co., Inc., at Port Edwards.

EARL A. OLSON has joined Northwestern Electronics Institute's administrative staff as assistant to the president. The firm is located in Minneapolis. He brings with him an impressive background in both the industrial and educational areas. He was the founder and director of Minnesota Technical Institute and also served on the vocational educational faculty at Pennsylvania State University.

RONALD KRUEGER of Chippewa Falls is now serving Loyal and Greenwood as a school psychologist through Cesa No. 6 Agency.



A long-time favorite on the Stout campus, Dean Merle M. Price will retire this June. A dinner in his honor for alumni, students, friends and staff will be held at 7 p.m., May 27, at the university Commons. Reservations should be mailed to Judy Spain, Commons, Stout State University, by May 15. Tickets are \$4 a person; checks should be made payable to the university. Dean Price has been with Stout since 1929.

ALLEN L. ROSENBAUM has been promoted to captain in the U.S. Air Force. He is an aircraft maintenance officer at Nellis AFB, Nev. He is assigned to a unit of the Tactical Air Command.

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KATHY NUSSBAUM ENGBRETTSON is teaching in the River Valley Senior High School, Spring Green, Wis. She is presently teaching beginning and advanced foods, child development and the chef's course. She is also doing post graduate work in the field of rehabilitation at the University of Wisconsin.

Army Sgt. **BRIAN J. PIAS**, Kenosha, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for distinguishing himself through meritorious service in connection with military operations against hostile forces in Vietnam.

JOAN SCHULTZ is teaching home economics at the Beaver Dam Senior High School. "Watching children grow and develop" is one of her special interests.

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RENEE M. PLATTA received her Bachelor of Science Degree in dietetics and has just completed a nine-month dietetic internship program at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Hines, Ill. She will now work as a therapeutic dietitian at Ingalls Memorial Hospital, Harvey, Ill.

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KATHLEEN KUNICH is the director of the Head Start program at Lac Courte Oreilles Reservation, located between Stonelake and Hayward, Wis.

SUZANNE J. DEAHL, Wilmette, is a member of the New Trier faculty at Winnetka, Ill. She teaches home economics.

BARBARA PINNEY BREUER is teaching home economics at Casseville High School, Casseville. In addition to teaching, she is an advisor for the Future Homemakers of America.

Offensive guard DEWEY STEVENS has been named not only rookie of the year by the Sheboygan Redwings of the Central States League, but most valuable player as well.

ANN D. HAMMEN PETH is presently teaching a family living course at Ripon Senior High School. The 43 boys enrolled in this class, which has just been added to the curriculum, will be versed in homemaking chores, how to care for their clothing and prepares them for requesting a job interview with the secure knowledge he is well groomed and qualified to choose for himself.

Coast Guard Seaman Apprentice **JOHN H. THIELKE, JR.** completed recruit training at the Coast Guard Training Center, Cap May, N.J. He is from Wausauke.

RONALD E. ZEILINGER, Route No. 2, Durand, just returned from doing volunteer work at Vanceburg, Ky., among the Appalachian poor. He is slated to become an orderly at St. Luke's Hospital in Racine.

Little Devils

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A daughter, Bridget Anne, Oct. 29, 1970, to Mr. and Mrs. **JOE STEBLY**, Route No. 1, VanAllen Rd., Janesville. He is an industrial arts instructor at Janesville Junior High.

Wile

Jack Wile, executive secretary of the Stout Alumni Association, underwent surgery this winter in Eau Claire. Because of his absence, the "Wile Comments" column does not appear in this issue. At this printing, Wile has resumed his duties following a very favorable recovery.

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A son, Jeffrey Scott, July 11, 1970, to Mr. and Mrs. **JACK GUSTAFSON**, Route No. 1, Wimmer Rd., Manitowoc. He is an instructor of driver education in the Manitowoc school system.

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An adopted daughter, Teresa, now two months old, by Mr. and Mrs. **DAVID R. PETERSON**, Burnsville, Minn. He is a chemical engineer at Univac in St. Paul.

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A son, Timothy Jon, Sept. 9, 1970, to **DENNIS (MS 68)** and **PATRICIA B. GRUENKE**, Box 41, Random Lake. He teaches at Random Lake Community High School.

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A son, Corey Michael, Sept. 27, 1970, to Mr. and Mrs. **MICHAEL DAVID DUPONT**, 1810 Vine St., Eau Claire. He is an assistant manager and purchasing agent for Menard Construction, Inc., Eau Claire.



Distinguished alumni honored during winter commencement activities, Jan. 22, at Stout were Edward M. Claude (25) (left) of Sun City, Ariz., and Lorraine Litchfield Larson (32) of Eau Claire. Claude has devoted over 40 years to the field of vocational education and Mrs. Larson has been an active civic leader in Eau Claire. They are pictured here with Ralph G. Iverson, vice-president for Student Services, who presided over the commencement ceremonies.

Marriages

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Marcia Pilcher to JAMES JOHNSON, Oct. 24, 1970, in Des Moines, Ia. He is presently plant engineer at the Great Plains Bag Co., Des Moines.

Barbara Joan Klick to BENJAMIN PAUL RODER, Dec. 19, 1970, at Sturgeon Bay.

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SANDRA POST (MS 68) to Rodger Welker, Dec. 19, 1970. The bride is a teacher at Lake Forest, Ill. At home in Waukegan, Ill.

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Mary Christine Schlise to GEORGE BRUCE WARREN, Sept. 19, 1970. At home at Route No. 1, New London, where the groom is a teacher in the New London school system.

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GERALD R. KISSMAN to Kathleen Miller, Aug. 22, 1970, in East Lansing, Mich. The groom is teaching at Lakeshore High School and they reside in Stevensville, Mich.

MARILYN A. REMIKER to Donald G. Thompson, Sept. 19, 1970, in Shawano. She is employed in the Cumberland school system. At home in Spooner.

Rhoda Hembrook to LESLIE L. HAIGHT, recently. He teaches power technology for Clarkston Community Schools, Clarkston, Mich.

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Susan Berg to ROBERT DEBNER, Nov. 27, 1970. He is teaching in the Hartford Public High School where the couple is making their home.

JUDITH ANN BUCHHOLZ to Darryl James Christianson, Oct. 17, 1970, in South Milwaukee. He attended Stout before entering the U.S. Air Force. At home in California.

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Kathryn J. Ruh to WAYNE ORSTED, Oct. 10, 1970, in Kiel. She also attended Stout for three years. The groom is an industrial arts teacher at Sheboygan North High School.

DONNA JEAN BUSCH to Paul W. Kappelman, Nov. 28, 1970, in Manitowoc. The bride teaches home economics at Hilbert High School. They are residing at Route No. 2, Two Rivers.

DIANE BUBLITZ to Wayne L. Robinson, Sept. 19, 1970, at Burlington. At home at Niles, Ill.

LINDA JEAN STEGEMAN to RANDY R. MARINE, Nov. 14, 1970, in Menomonie. The bride is employed by the Northwest Fabric Co. and the groom is presently employed as a local radio announcer.

MARILYN LEE RASSBACH to Lt. RICHARD O. LAMERS, Sept. 26, 1970, in Menomonie. He is presently a lieutenant serving as a flight officer in USMC. The bride graduated in January. They are now living in Hawaii.

LORI L. MALZAHN to Bruce A. Tietz, Aug. 22, 1970, in Menomonie. She is teaching home economics at Glenwood City High School. At home at 1308 11th St., Menomonie.

KATHLEEN JOYCE GRANT to Keith Busch, Oct. 3, 1970, at the Newman Center, University of Southern Illinois at Carbondale. Residing at 510 N. Almond St., Carbondale.

Diane Carol Mohr to DENNIS OBERT REINSTAD, Oct. 24, 1970, in Milwaukee. He is employed as an industrial engineer.

JANE MARIE PROKOP to Joseph Stephen Zupsich, Jr., Oct., 1970, in Hofa Park. She is presently teaching at the Marengo Community High School, Marengo, Ill. Residing in Belvidere, Ill.

BEVERLY JEAN CUMMIN to James J. Rock, Aug. 15, 1970, in Pound. At home in Brillion where the bride is employed as a home economics teacher in the public school system there.

SUSAN JEAN SLESAR to MICHAEEL PAUL SCHEMELIN, Dec. 26, 1970, in West Bend. They are residing in Milwaukee.

CAROL ANN WORZALA to Sgt. Claude McKinney on Dec. 26, 1970. The couple traveled to New Mexico where the groom is stationed at Kirkland Air Force Base.

JANET KAY SMARZINSKI to Robert W. Larsen, Dec. 19, 1970, at Menasha.

Kathleen LaVonne Erdmann to JOHN T. MORRISON, Dec. 26, 1970, in Wausau. At home in Omaha, Neb., where the groom is a claims representative for Employers Insurance Co.

Deaths

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IRMA GORTON DAVIES, Oct. 6, 1970, in Washington, D.C. She taught rural school prior to attending Stout. Upon graduation she taught home economics in the Pittsburgh public schools until her marriage to Robert G. Davies in 1928.

HAROLD L. WEATHERBY, Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 9, 1970. He taught high school and college for many years. He is survived by his widow and one son, who is a professor at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

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HERBERT R. PETERSON, May 23, 1970, in Superior. Survived by his wife, Dorothy.

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MARION EVERET PROFFIT, Pewaukee, Nov. 22, 1970. Surviving is her husband, C. A. Proffit.

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WALTER W. MOELLER, Nov. 30, 1970, in Biwabik, Minn., where he taught high school industrial arts for 37 years before retiring in 1964. He is survived by his wife and three sons.

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EDWIN C. MESLOW, Waukegan, Ill., Dec. 18, 1970. His teaching career included five years in Richland County, N. D., four years at Battle Creek, Mich., and 31 years in Waukegan. He is survived by his wife, Myrna, and two sons.

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JEROME E. ERICKSON, 22, Menomonie, Nov. 14, 1970, as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Survived by his parents, two sisters and one brother.

Nowaskey Named Service Director

James R. Nowaskey, a faculty member at Stout, has been appointed director of administrative services at the university.

Under the vice-president for business affairs, Nowaskey will be charged with general administration of such units as buildings and grounds, duplicating services, courier and mail service, textbook services and other auxiliary enterprises of the university.

Nowaskey, now in his second year as a Stout faculty member, has a background in industrial engineering and administration. He has had extensive experience with the San Diego city schools and with private industry.

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Stout Enrolls Youngest Student

Tanya Lee Bluechel will become Stout's youngest alumnus when she is graduated — at age five. You see, Tanya entered the university last fall when she was just one month old. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Bluechel of Menomonie, she is one of 75 children enrolled in Stout's Child Study Center — a place where children from infancy to kindergarten are being better prepared to deal with their future education and with life in general.

Unlike the traditional day-care centers, which merely provide custodial facilities for children, the Child Study Center reflects a formal effort to provide early childhood education.

Beverly Schmalzried, chairman of the Department of Human Development-Family Living and Community Educational Services, pointed out that learning begins at infancy. "Fifty percent of a child's learning is accomplished by age four and eighty percent is accomplished by age eight," she said. "If we waste the first eight years, we've done a child a great disservice."

Mrs. Schmalzried noted that children enrolled in the Child Study Center are engaged in a variety of activities ranging from painting to preparing lunches in the center's fully-equipped kitchen. Each activity is specifically designed to aid a child in its physical and emotional development.

With a very young child such as Tanya, activities include talking to her, singing, rocking her and providing her with a variety of different textured toys. "Hopefully these activities will make the child more alert to her environment," explained Judy Herr, director of the Child Study Center. She said that such activities provide "stimulation" which activates the brain and helps initiate the learning process.

"We also provide the child with a variety of sound," Mrs. Herr stated, pointing out that sound is necessary for speech. "Before the child can develop language it must learn the difference between sounds," she said.

As a child progresses in age, it is involved in more sophisti-

cated activities at the center. For example, two year olds are engaged in what Mrs. Herr calls "dramatic play." Children assume roles of adults in the form of parents, mailmen, grocers and members of other professions.

By age three children begin to work with woodworking and paints. "This is a form of free expression," she said. Children are not told what to paint or how to make something. Rather, they are allowed to express themselves through these devices by making whatever they choose. "This helps relieve tension and encourages expression," she said.

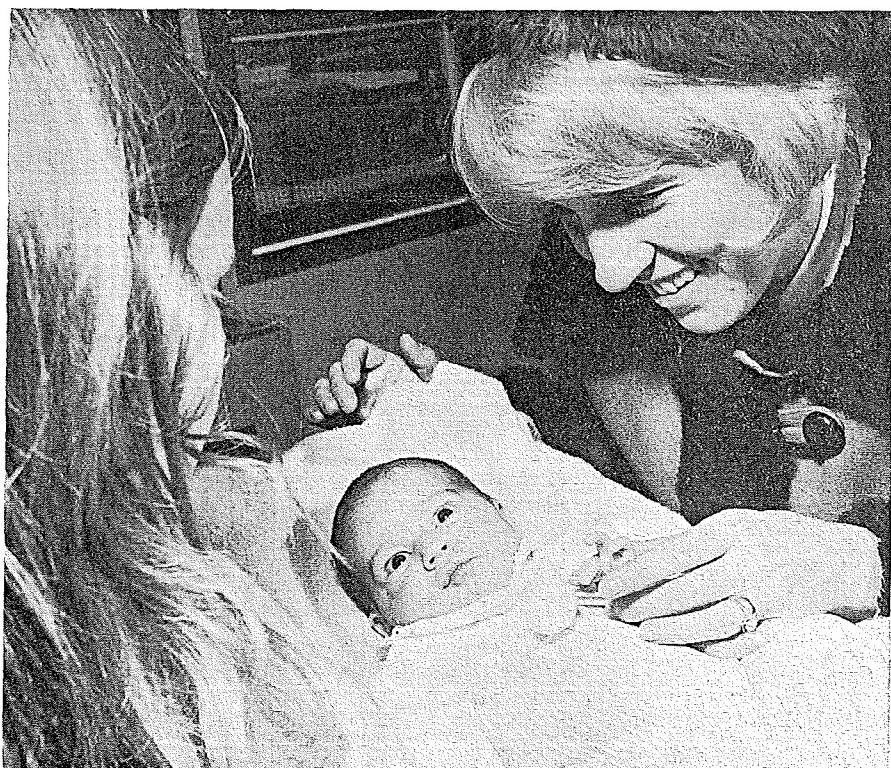
"We try to provide a child with a variety of experiences through pictures, stories and music," Mrs. Herr stated. "The more experiences a child can have the better he will be able to read because he can relate to these experiences," she said.

Children enrolled at the center come from diverse backgrounds. Scholarships enable youngsters from lower income families to participate in the program.

However, in addition to helping the development of children, the center performs another important function: training men and women to become early childhood teachers. The future teachers work with children at the center under the direction of trained professional instructors.

Stout's pre-school program, which was begun in 1964, is one of the largest of its kind in the United States.

Part of the program is now housed in a new educational facility which opened its doors last fall. The 60 by 60 foot frame structure is used primarily by children, ages 18 months to five years. Included in the building is a specially constructed observation core which overlooks activity areas. It is equipped with one-way glass which permits students to observe the activity of children without interruption. Using headphones and a system of microphones, student observers can tune in on a particular child's activity. The \$190,000 structure can accommodate up to 75 children daily.



Although the Blue Devils finished the 1970-71 basketball season with the third best record in the history of Stout, it wasn't good enough.

Eau Claire took the conference championship with a 16-0 mark, compared to Stout's 13-3 in conference play. Based on a formula worked out by the N. A. I. A. District 14 committee, the record wasn't good enough for a district tournament play-off spot either.

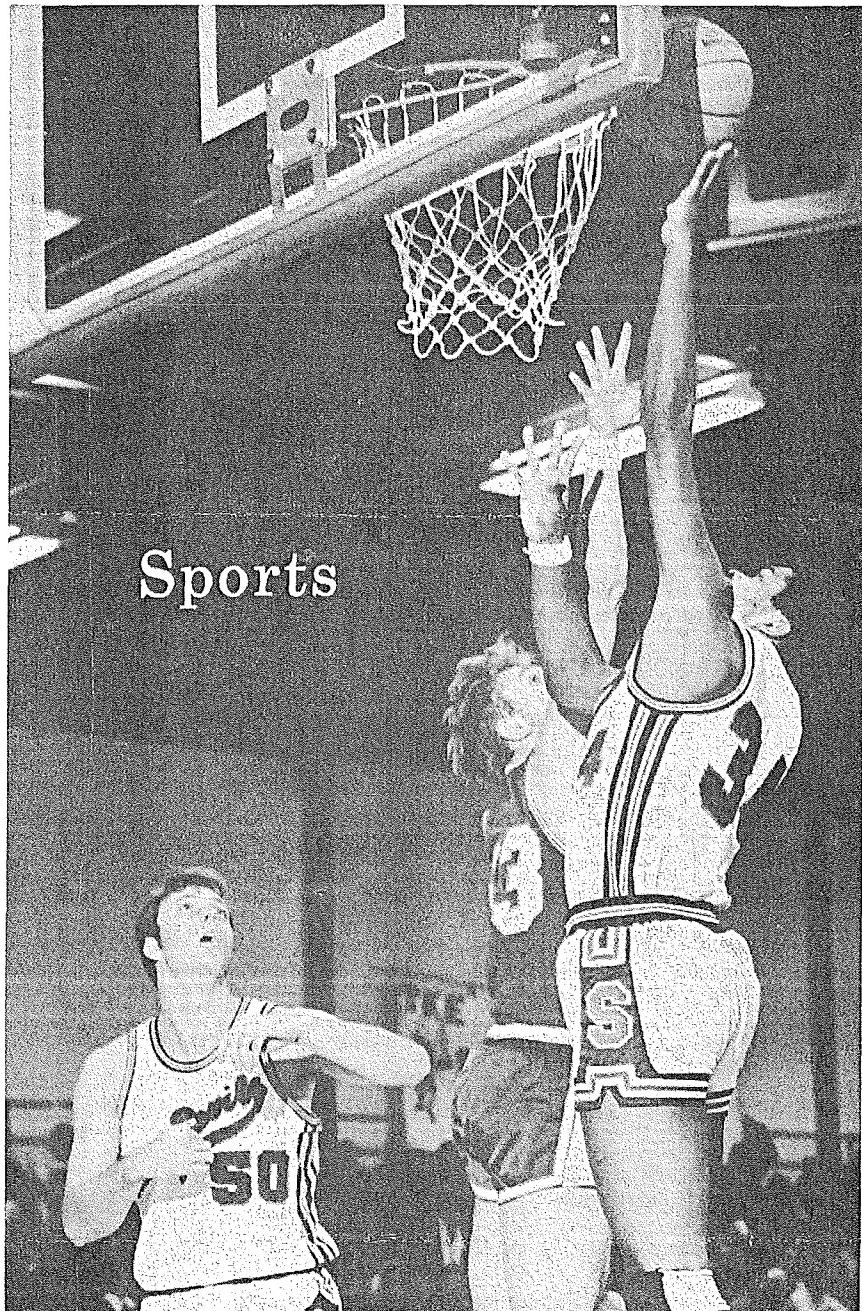
The string of victories, however, continued to enhance Head Coach Dwain Mintz's record at Stout. In the last six years Mintz's teams have not finished lower than second in the conference. In two of those seasons, 1966 and 1969, his teams were the conference champions.

Mintz will lose two seniors this year, including the university's all-time scoring champion Cal Glover.

Glover has been a starter for the Blue Devils since his freshman year. During the four years he totaled 1,727 points, an 18.5 average. He was also one of the Blue Devils' strongest rebounders, ending his career with 1,209. He picked his final game of the season to set another scoring mark, when he made 16 consecutive free throws.

The free throw record was held by Greg Ebsen, 15, in 1968-69; the career scoring record by Fred Seggelink, 1,376, 1958-63. Jerry Kissman, 1963-67, still holds the rebounding record with 1,408.

Glover is shown in the photo at the right with Terry Alexa, a junior who ended the season as the team's second leading rebounder and fourth leading scorer with a 12.6 a game average.



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